

# Manager's Newsletter

Town of

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# **Fire Department Hosting Open House**

The Kitty Hawk Fire Department will be holding an Open House on Saturday, October 8, 2011, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., to kick off Fire Prevention Week. Fire prevention activities for children will include the "Smokehouse," where they will practice "stop, drop, and roll," and EDITH (Emergency Drills in the Home). Older children will enjoy the Junior Firefighter Challenge by running a slalom course through cones and spraying water on a simulated fire. Children of all ages will enjoy the piñatas and having their picture taken with our special guest, Sparky the Fire Dog. There will be tours of the station, and hot dogs and hamburgers will be served. Come and join us for a fun-filled event. The Fire Station is located at 859 W. Kitty Hawk Road.



# NCDOT INITIATES THE COMPREHENSIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN FOR DARE COUNTY

NCDOT held its first meeting on September 27, 2011 to develop the Dare County Comprehensive Transportation Plan. A steering committee consisting of representatives from the County and Towns as well as private citizens has been formed to make recommendations to NCDOT about what should and should not be incorporated into the plan. John Stockton, Town Manager, and Joe Heard, Director of Planning and Inspection, will be the staff members from Kitty Hawk, that will serve on the committee. Mr. Andy Szakos, a local resident of Kitty Hawk will serve on the committee. The Comprehensive Transportation Plan will project some 30 years into the future and try and identify any possible deficiencies that may exist in the future and make recommendations as to how the deficiencies can be resolved. The Town staff will be making periodic reports to the Council on the status of the plan and information will be available in the newsletter. The Town will also post information relative to the plan on the Town's website. There are also plans to conduct a survey of the Town and County residents to obtain public input on the development of the plan.

# October 3<sup>rd</sup> Council Meeting Highlights

At their October 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting, Council received a presentation by Sheila Davies, MPA, Chair of the Mission's of Mercy (MOM) Partnership and Project Director—Telepsychiatry, Albemarle Hospital Foundation. The presentation included information on the 3rd annual MOM Free Dental Clinic to be held on October 28-29 and the new Telepsychiatry services to begin at the Outer Bans Hospital. This new service will allow for more effective psychiatric assessment and treatment of Hospital patients.

During the Public Comment session, one speaker requested that flags displaying names of businesses be allowed and a second speaker asked council to consider adopting a longer time frame for temporary banners to be displayed.

A public hearing was scheduled for November 7, 2011 to establish a motor vehicle service and repair business in a Beach Commercial district in Units I & J of the existing Quail Run business center at 500 Sand Dune Drive.

The proposal to broaden the use of costumed mascots and wavers for advertising, specifically, to allow the use of costumed mascots/wavers by any business for up to two 90-day periods during a year was adopted 4-1.

The Town Manager provided updates on the Storm Drainage study, the Sandy Run Park Phase II Project, status of Hurricane Irene clean-up activities, the County transportation plan update and the dumpster and recycling center on Bob Perry Road.

# **Town Calendar**

Town Offices Closed—Friday, October 7 after 12:00 p.m.

Council Meeting Aired on Government Access—Channel 20 Thursday, October 6 and Sunday, October 9 at 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

**Planning Board Meeting**—Thursday, October 13, 6:00 p.m.

Town Council Meeting—Monday, November 7, 6:00 p.m.



The Government Channel (Channel 20) programming is now available online, 24 hours a day via live stream. Watch Town Council Meetings and all county programming by visiting www.darenc.com.

# CONTRACTOR GIVEN A NOTICE TO PROCEED ON THE SANDY RUN PARK PHASE II PROJECT

The Town staff met with Waldt Construction and Quible and Associates concerning the Sandy Run Park Phase II project on September 30, 2011 and Waldt Construction was given a Notice to Proceed on the project at that time. Per the contractor, we expect to see some activity on the project on or about October 10<sup>th</sup>. If all goes according to schedule, it is estimated that the work on the project could be completed in early March of 2012. The project is being funded by a grant from the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources and the Outer Banks Visitors Bureau. The project will complete the loop of the boardwalk and includes a canoe/kayak tie up facility, an observation tower, 798 feet of boardwalk, 1,968 feet of compacted stone walkway, a fishing pier, and benches. The park will remain open during the construction, but visitors may be limited to access of the existing boardwalk.

# STORM DRAINAGE STUDY PROGRESSING

The storm drainage study being conducted by Albemarle and Associates for Kitty Hawk has been submitted to the Town staff in a draft form. The Town staff will review the recommendations from the study and is in the process of asking the Council for their comments. Once the comments are submitted back to Albemarle and Associates, a workshop and public meeting will be scheduled to present the findings of the study. It is anticipated that a decision on a date for the workshop and public meeting will be made at the Town Council meeting on November 7, 2011. The study is being done with a grant from the North Carolina Department of Transportation and funds from the Town. The areas that are being studied are the properties between US 158 and NC 12 and an area West of US 158 that includes Rabbit Hollow Road and portions of Ascension Drive and Tateway Road.

# NCMOM Missions of Mercy Free Dental Care for Adults

October 28-29, 2011

Youth Center & Family Recreation Park 602 South Mustain Street, Kill Devil Hills

First come, first serviced (based on dental procedure) arrive early Patient registration begins at 6:00 a.m.

Cleaning, Fillings, Extractions

Dental services available for those earning less than 200% of Federal Poverty Level Guidelines; Access may be limited by daily treatment capacity.

# **Debris Pick-Up Completed Recycle Center Update**

The Town of Kitty Hawk has completed its Storm Debris Pick Up. No additional pick-ups will be completed within Town limits.

If you still have storm debris, it must be taken to the Dare County Land Fill in Mann's Harbor. The first 500 pounds is free. Tipping fees will apply after the first 500 pounds.

Until further notice, the Dare County Recycle Center on Bob Perry Road is currently only accepting recyclables. No storm and or construction and demolition debris is accepted. The center is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. It is closed on Wednesday.

# N.C. Insurance Department Offers Mediation Between Insurers and Homeowners When Claims Denied

The North Carolina Department of Insurance Disaster Mediation Program is available to residential property owners in disaster-designated county whose homeowner's insurance claims for disaster-related losses have been wholly or partially denied. The consumer and the insurance company have to be more than \$1500 apart in the settlement disagreement.

Eligible homeowners are required to apply for mediation within 60 days of a claim being denied.

Consumers can get more information on the North Carolina Department of Insurance website—www.ncdoi.com—or request mediation sessions by calling American Arbitration Association, administrator of the Mediation Program: 1-800-426-8792.

# Crisis Counseling Offered to those Struggling with Irene's Aftermath

Crisis counseling services are available to persons affected by Hurricane Irene. Counseling for all ages can be arranged by calling 866-451-7760 between 8:00 am and midnight, seven days a week. Callers are referred to specially trained counselors in their counties to get help with stress and changes in behavior caused by the storm. Referral services and short-term intervention counseling are confidential.

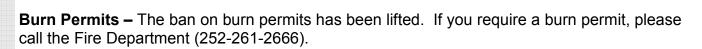
## Correction

The Interfaith Community Outreach (ICO) is coordinating Disaster Relief Resources for our area. The correct number to reach the ICO for assistance or to volunteer is 475-5667. The main number for the ICO is 480-0070. We have published incorrect contact information in several recent Town publications.

# **Fire Calls for August**

During the month of August, 2011, there were 136 calls for emergency service. The breakdown is as follows:

Animal rescue	1	
Automatic/Mutual Aid	4	
Building Fire	1	
Detector activation, no fire – unintentional	2	
Dispatched and cancelled en route	3	
False alarm or false call	7	
Gas leak (natural gas or LPG)	10	
Hazardous condition	30	
Malicious, mischievous false call	1	
Medical Calls	38	
Motor vehicle accidents	11	
With injuries – 5		
With no injuries – 6		<b>)</b>
Motor vehicle/pedestrian accident	3	
Overpressure rupture, explosion, overheat, other	2	
Power line down	15	
Public service	5	
Surf rescue	2	
Water problem, other	1	



# **Continuing Need for Help on Hatteras Island**

While all of the donations and assistance is greatly appreciated, the need remains great for residents on Hatteras Island. The Outer Banks Home Builder's Association, which has already sent one truckload of supplies, will begin collecting additional items on October 12. The following items are most needed and requested:



- Gently Used) furniture, especially beds refrigerators, stoves \*\*Any homeowners, especially part time property owners, who may be trading out furniture or appliances, please let us know so we can arrange for someone who needs them to use your "trade-outs"
- FLEA and TICK medicines/collars/shampoos/treatments for pets (the fleas are particularly fond of our post-hurricane conditions right now)
- Halloween Candy and small toys for Trick Or Treat
- New pillows
- Plastic storage totes with lids (for people without permanent accommodations, to store their belongings)
- Waterproof Tarps (to cover up people's belongings that have to be left outside until their homes can be rebuilt).
- Cat Food/Kitty Litter
- Rubber Boots
- Men's Shorts new or gently used
- Non-perishable food items
- Soccer cleats, shin guards, basketball shorts (kids 5-17 years old)
- Shower Gel (liquid bath soap)
- Sweatshirts (especially "hoodies") and jackets/coats, all sizes
- Toasters or Toaster ovens
- Fans
- New Underwear all sizes
- Blankets (new or gently used)
- Bug Spray
- Band-Aids and Large Band-Aids, peroxide and rubbing alcohol
- Toys \*New Toys will be saved for the Hatteras Island Angel Tree,
- Trash cans, laundry baskets
- Mixers, bowls
- Work boots and "sneakers"/tennis shoes
- Tools (many tri-village and Avon residents used their tools to make a living, and lost them in the storm
- Bookcases or display racks (for Really Free Market to borrow and return)

\*(Clothing not mentioned above in good condition will be welcomed, but is not as urgently needed as the other items listed above.)\*

The Outer Banks Home Builder's Association is located at 105 W. Airstrip Drive, Kill Devil Hills.

Their phone number is 449-8232.

# Kitty Hawk Fire Department is Recruiting Volunteers Incentives Available Call 252-261-2666 for more information.



The Town of Kitty Hawk's newsletter is prepared two times per month and sent electronically to anyone who wants to receive it. Paper copies of the newsletter are available at Town Hall. The newsletter does not present or represent opinions of the Town Council.

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